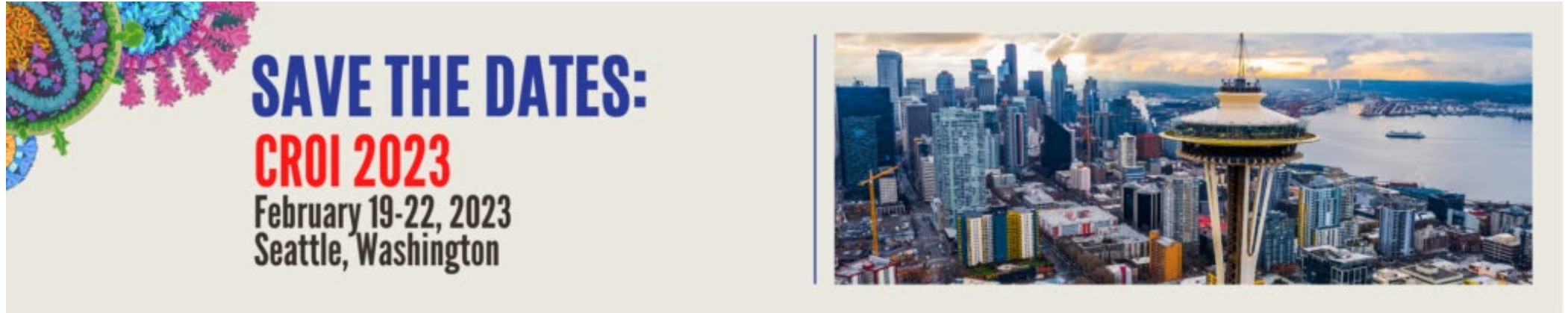
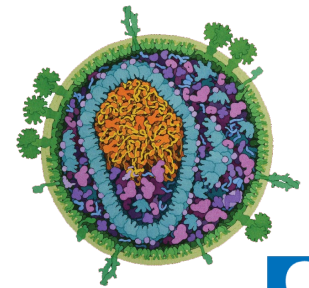


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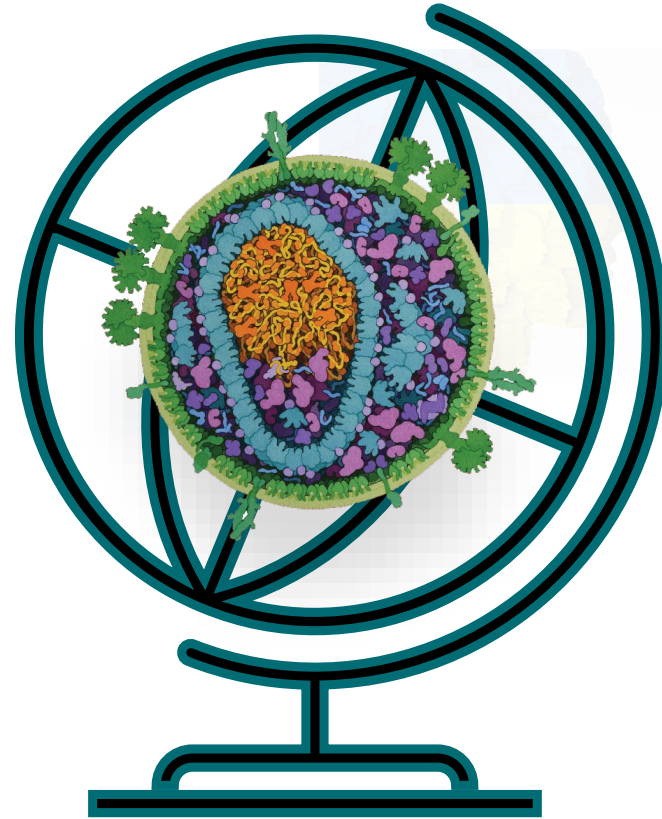
CROI and Community and YOU Preparing for CROI 2023

A webinar brought to you by the CROI CLS and The Choice Agenda



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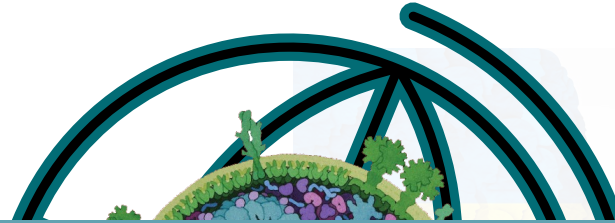
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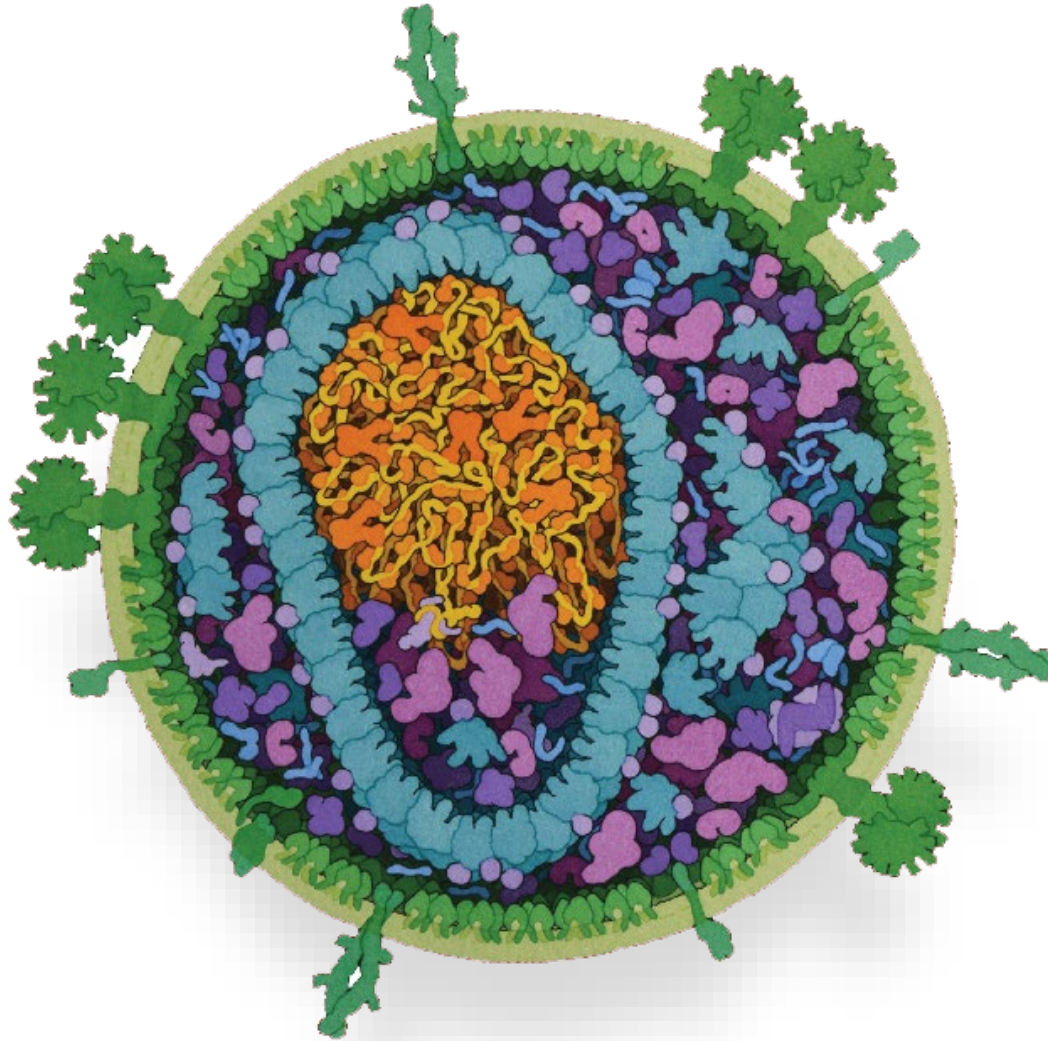
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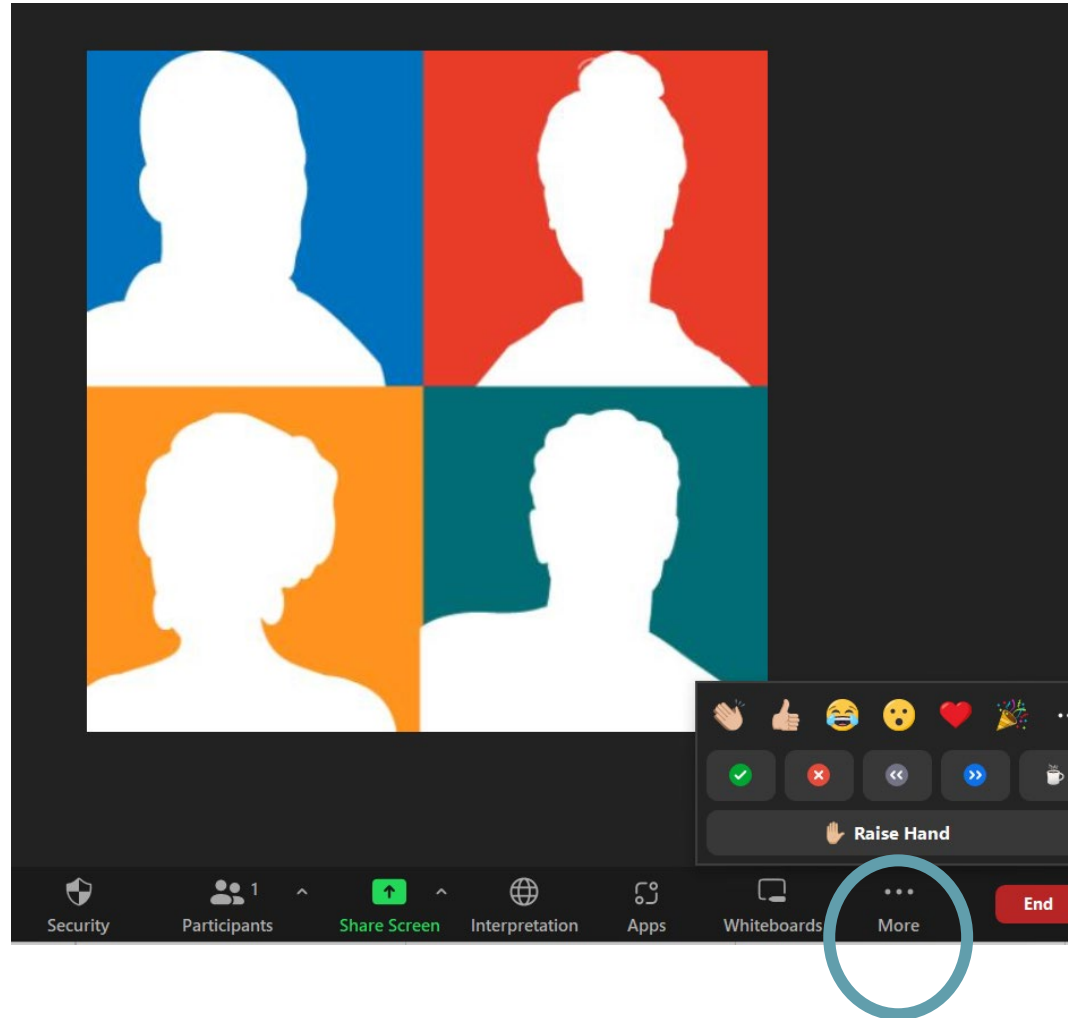
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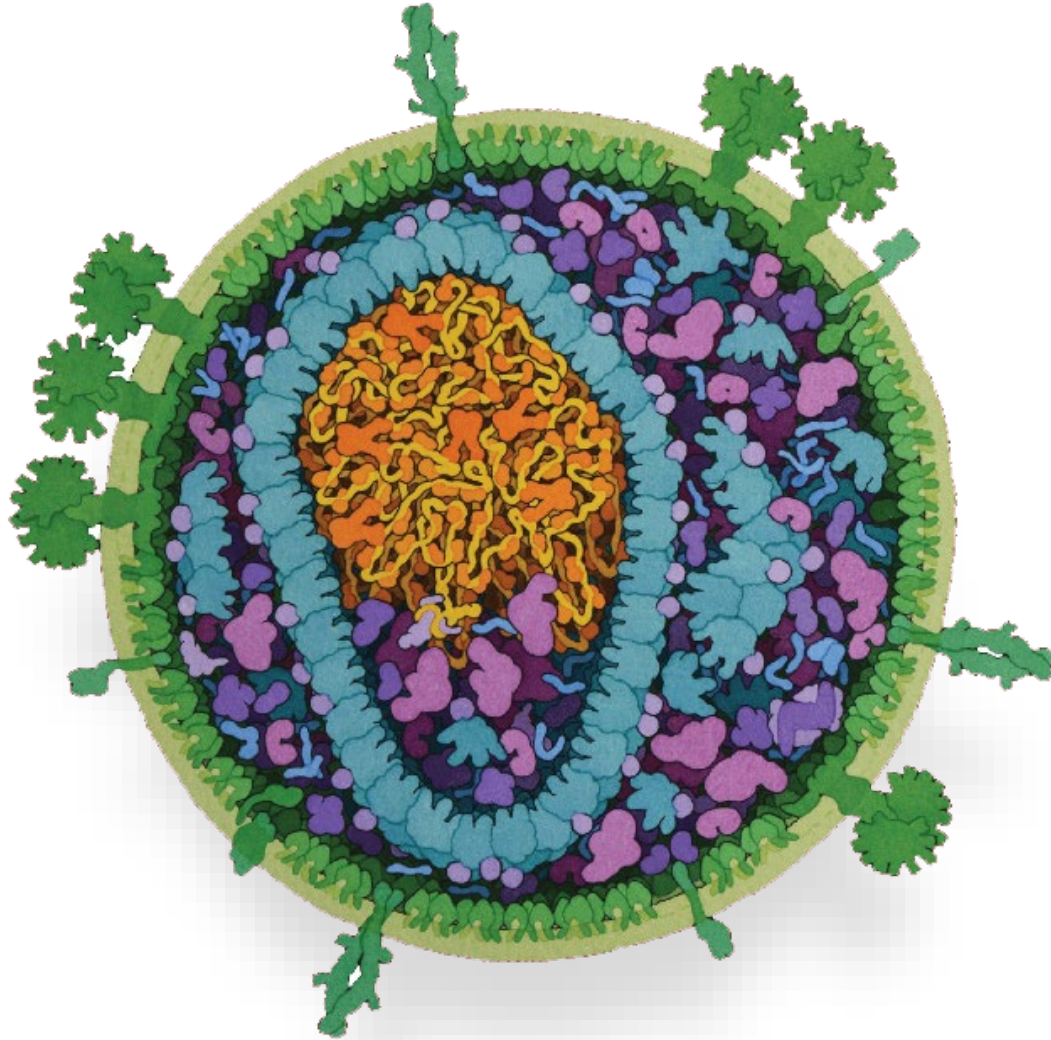
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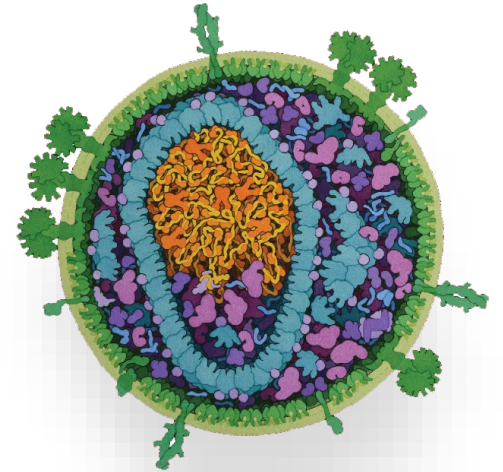
Agenda



- What is CROI?
- Key dates
- Meet CROI 2023 co-chairs
- Meet CROI Community Liaisons
- Meet IAS-USA organizers
- Community scholar program
- Margarita Breakfast Clubs, WhatsApp, and other community/advocate activities
- QA and discussion throughout

What is CROI?

- Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI)
- Established in **1993** (2023 is 30th anniversary)
- The **CROI Foundation** partners with the **International Antiviral Society–USA** to organize and produce the conference
- Forum for basic scientists and clinical investigators to **present, discuss, critique research** around epidemiology, biology of human **retroviruses and associated diseases**
- **Synergy** of basic science and clinical investigation has been a major contributor to success of CROI
- **Community engagement** critical component
- CROI has facilitated presentation of **important discoveries, accelerating progress** in HIV research
- **Best and most consequential original research** defines the science at CROI, including research in HIV, hepatitis viruses, SARS-CoV-2, MPV, and other viral infections and their related conditions.



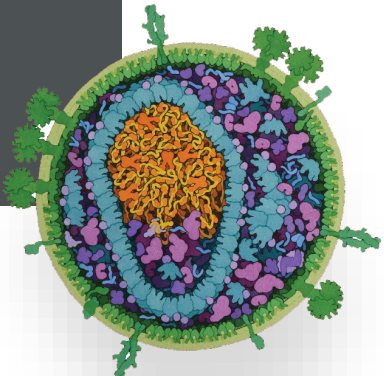
What CROI is:

- ✓ PURELY SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE
- ✓ 501(C)(3) NOT-FOR-PROFIT
- ✓ INTERNATIONAL

What CROI is NOT:

- ✗ MEMBERSHIP SOCIETY
- ✗ COMMERCIALY DRIVEN
- ✗ GOVERNMENT FUNDED

- Live talks
- Moderated symposia
- Posters
- Technical review
- Scholarships
- Database
- Info guide
- Abstract book
- Media briefings
- Website



What did vCROI cost?

\$2.5+ Million USD

ESTIMATED COST

**Historically
Financed by:**

10%

Foundation Reserves
and Other Sources

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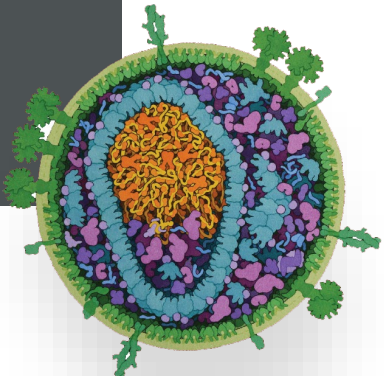
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Registration Fees

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Membership Dues
Exhibit Fees
Symposia Fees
Journal Subscription Fees
Advertising

It's more than just a Zoom call.

- 45 volunteer scientists
- 3 volunteer community liaisons
- 80+ abstract reviewers
- Thousands of hours planning, logistics, and implementation – before, during, after



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 **IAS-USA**
International Antiviral Society-USA

Key Dates

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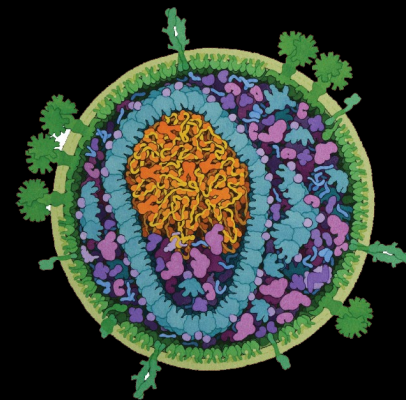
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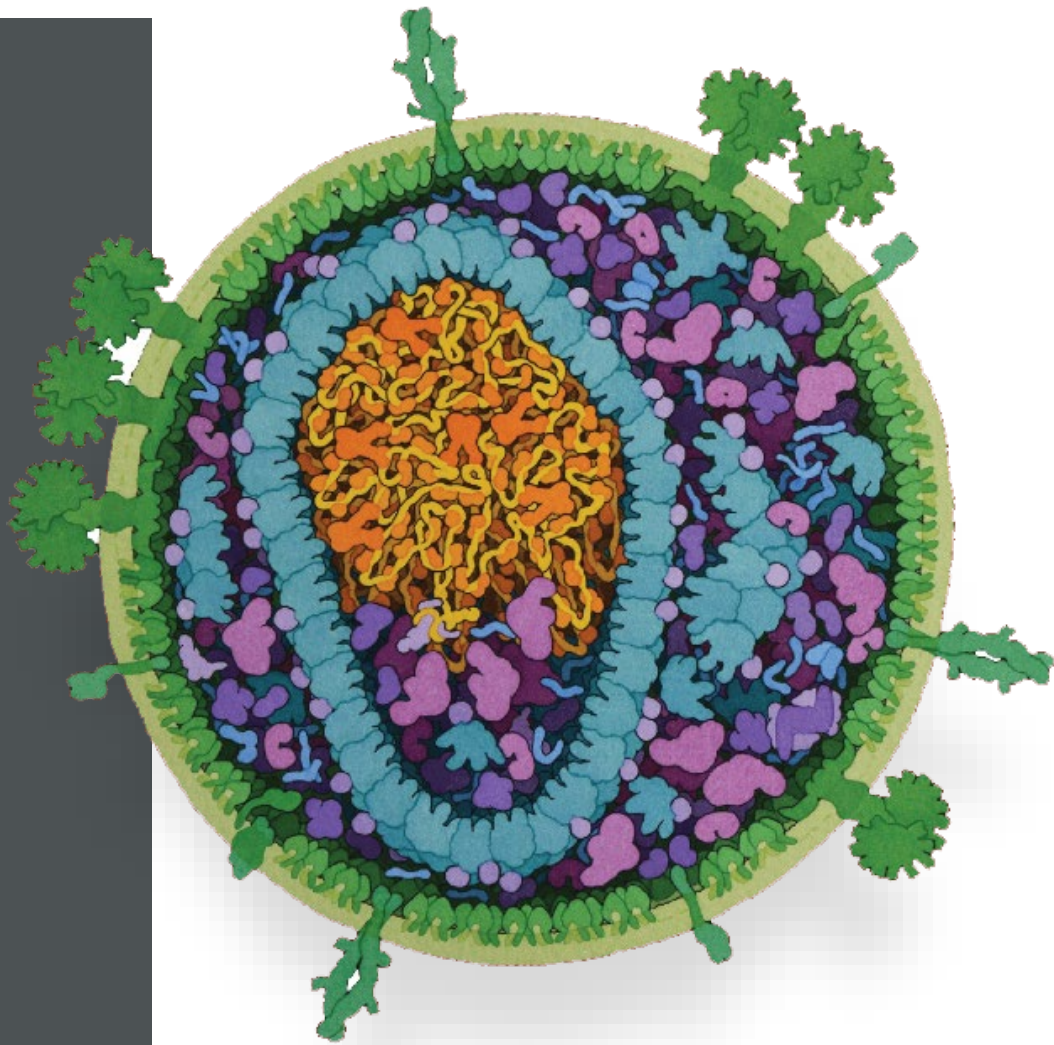
Mid September – registration opens

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November 1– dispositions sent by email for general abstracts on HIV and Hepatitis viruses/related conditions and scholarship applications

February 19 – 23 – CROI 2023 in Seattle, Washington, USA

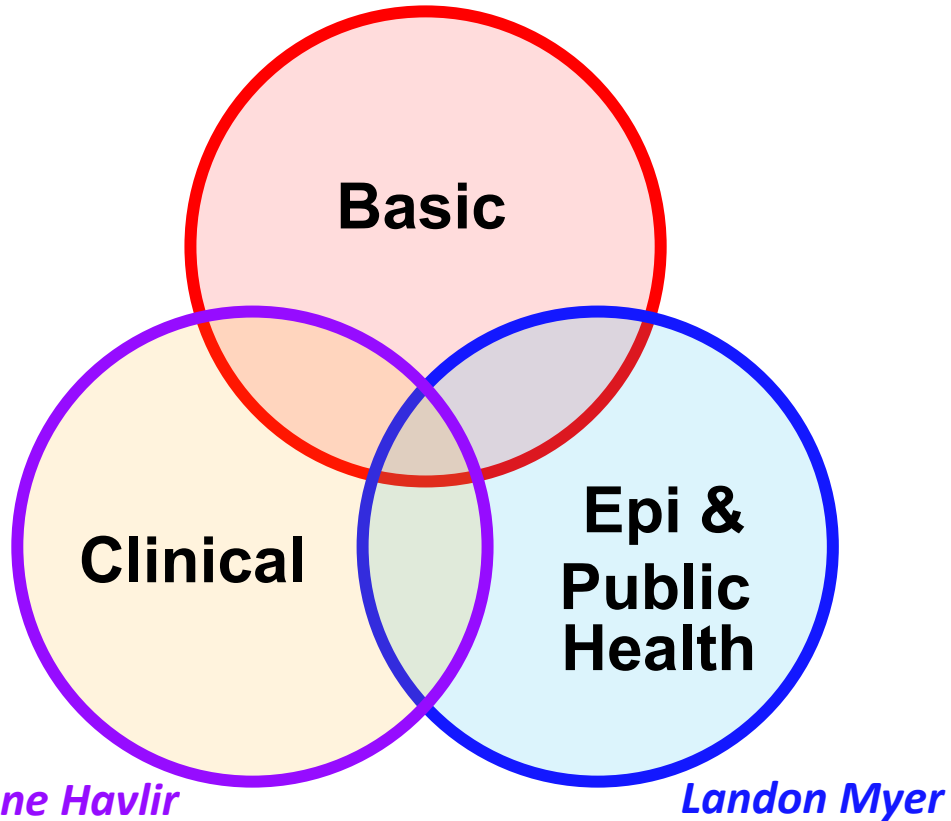




Meet CROI 2023 Chair, Co-Chair

CROI Scientific Program

Jim Hoxie



Diane Havlir

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**Community
Liaison Subcommittee**

Jim Pickett

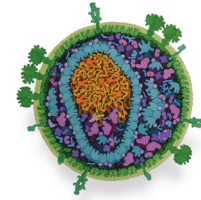
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Ntando Yola

CROI-2023: (A Big Year!)

February 19-22, 2023

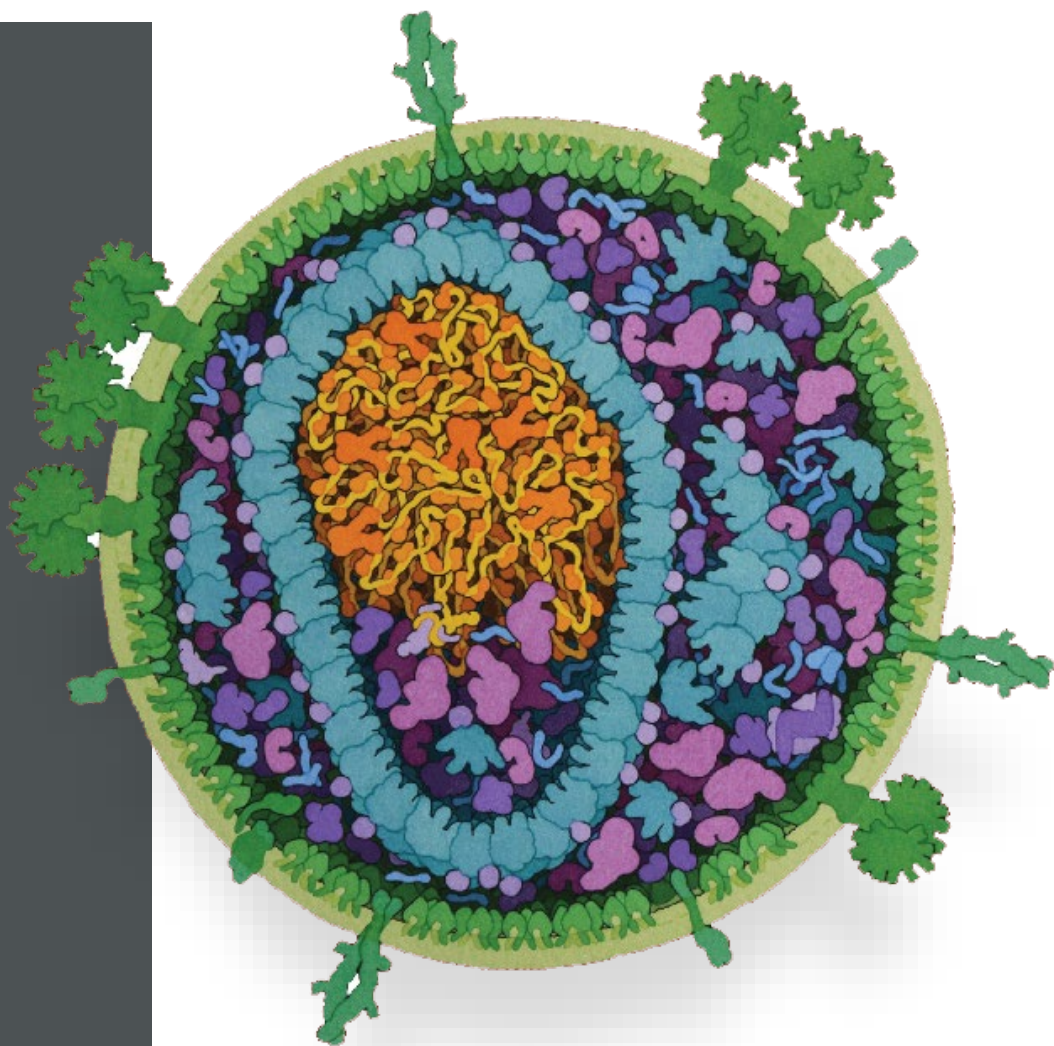
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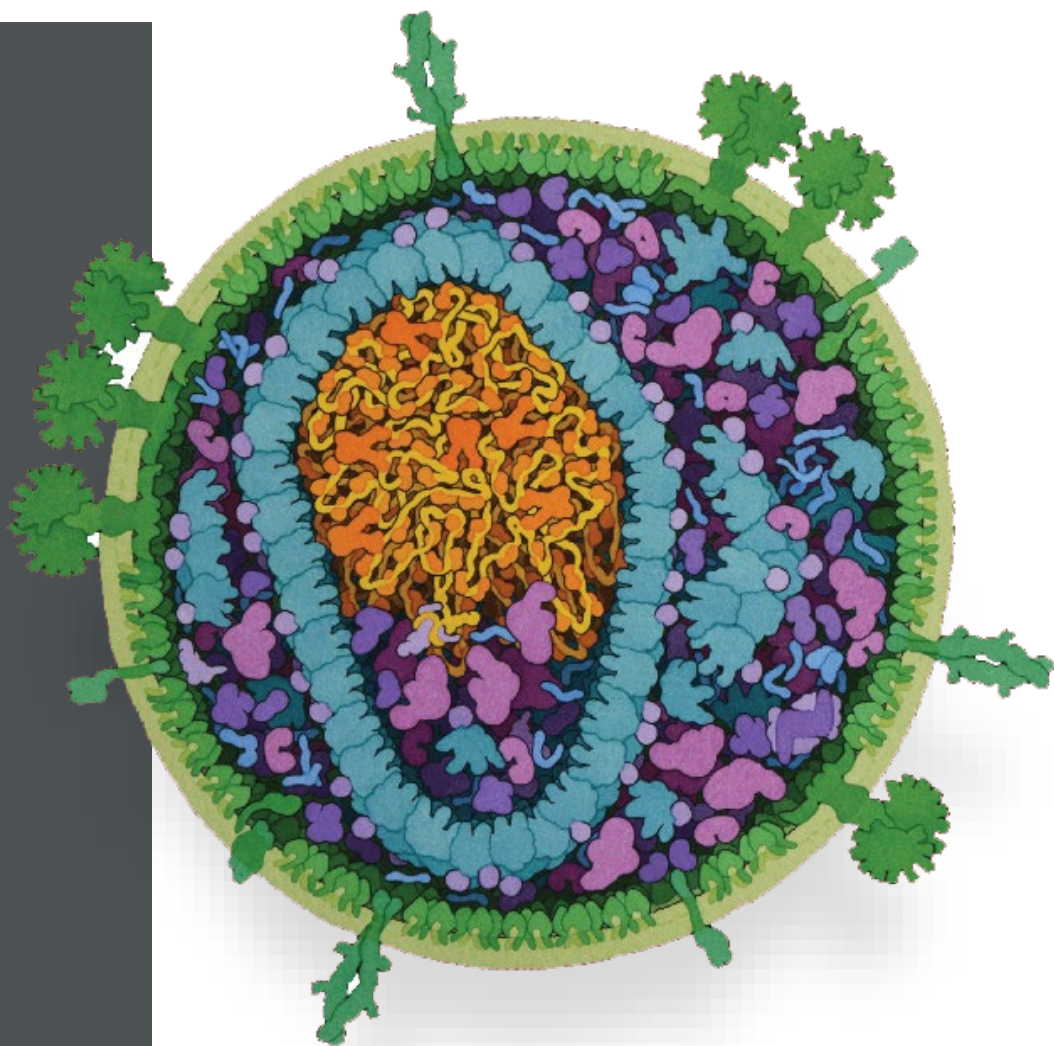
- **1st In-person CROI since 2019**
- **CROI's 30th Anniversary**
- **Special events for Young Investigators**
- **Inviting Abstracts in Behavioral & Social Sciences**

Key things to know about CROI: What we strive to do!

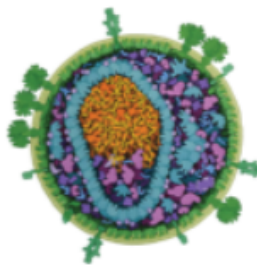
- **Create a program for presenting cutting-edge, new science relevant to HIV/AIDS:** (CROI 2023: also SARS-CoV-2, Monkeypox)
(e.g. basic science, prevention, treatment, complications/ comorbidities, cure)
- **Provide a forum to welcome, mentor and inspire Young Investigators: i.e., the next generation of scientists, educators, advocates and community voices**
- **CROI is a truly international meeting for scientists, educators and communities from all over the world**
- **CROI *is not subsidized* by pharmaceutical companies or industry**
- **The CLS plays an integral and critical role in developing the CROI Program and achieving its mission and goals.**



Meet CROI Community Liaisons



Meet IAS-USA colleagues



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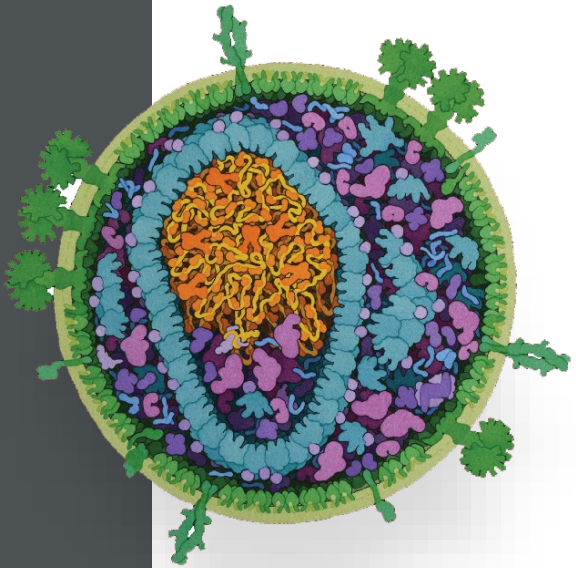
www.croiconference.org/community-scholarship

Community Scholarship

CROI invites community leaders who engage in communication, advocacy, and educational activities focused on the prevention, treatment, and cure research of HIV, hepatitis viruses, SARS-CoV-2, monkeypox, and other viral infections and their related conditions, to apply for a CROI Community Scholarship.

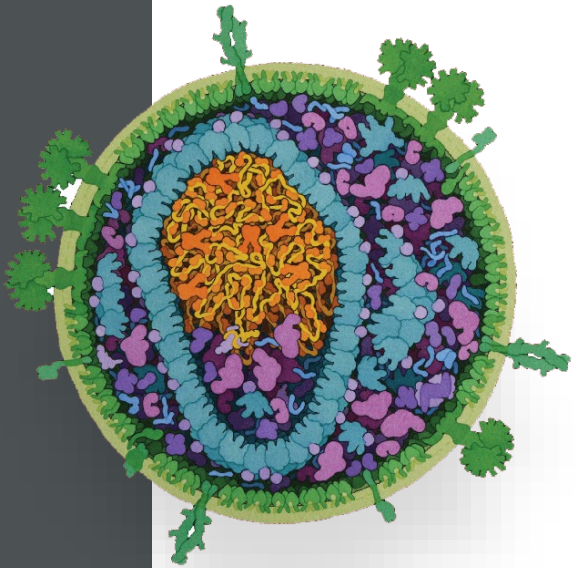
Community Scholarship applicants must demonstrate an established commitment to sharing scientific knowledge with community members and stakeholders as well as an ability to expand research and science literacy among communities affected by topics presented at CROI.

Community Scholar Program – Who?



- **Community leaders** who engage in **communication, advocacy, and educational activities** focused on px, tx, and cure research of HIV, hepatitis viruses, SARS-CoV-2, MPV and other viral infections, related conditions
- Leaders, **highly motivated** to learn & apply dynamic, ever-evolving research
- **Demonstrate established commitment** to sharing scientific knowledge w/community members, stakeholders & ability to expand research/science literacy among communities affected by CROI topics
- **Demonstrate competency, skills to translate** complicated science to wide array community members, stakeholders in different contexts
- Community leaders w/ scientific conf experience, **who have not attended CROI, encouraged to apply**

Community Scholar Program – What?



- **Full Scholarship** comp. conference registration. Up to US \$750 (US/Canada) or US \$1500 (international) to and from conf at lowest fare for economy travel and up to 5 nights hotel. Daily stipend possible for awardees from resource-limited countries.
- **Partial Scholarship** comp conf registration. Covers travel OR hotel depending on recipient's need as demonstrated in application
- **Registration Scholarship** comp conf registration

Community Scholarship Criteria

- **Active in comms, education, advocacy efforts in communities.** Only candidates **affiliated with orgs** that provide comms, advocacy, or educational services (**limit 2 apps per org**).

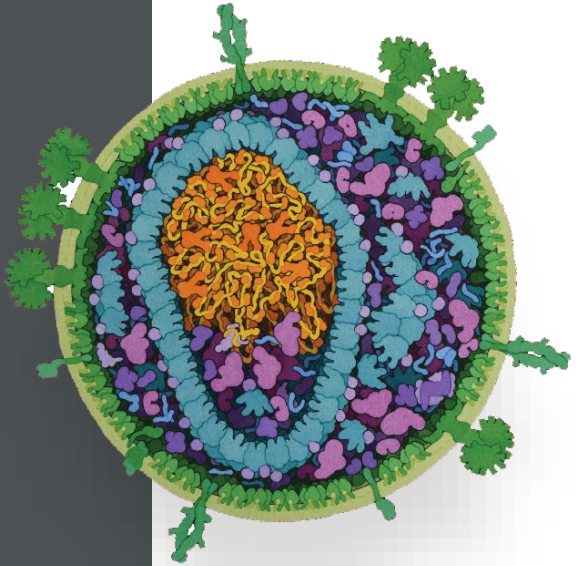
- **Motivation, creativity, competency, scientific literacy, English fluency and demonstrable ability to understand, disseminate research in communities**

Preference given to individuals who:

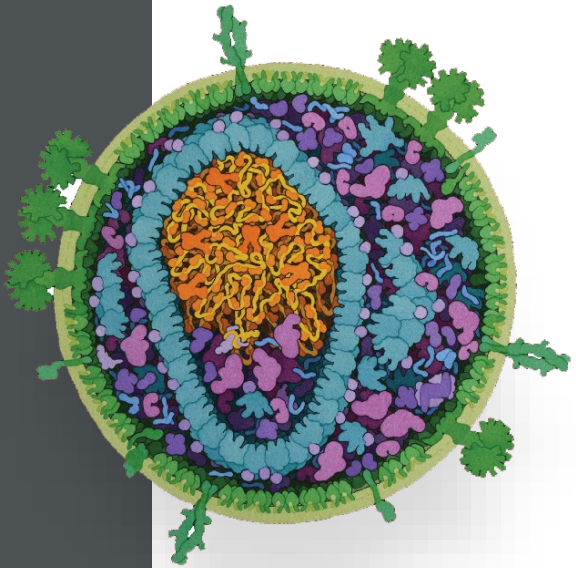
- **Have demonstrated the capacity and commitment to engage diverse communities with relevant science and research information**

- **Individuals whose efforts in this area go beyond direct-to-client prevention services (incl. biomedical; service and clinical trial recruitment)**

- **Financial need considered**



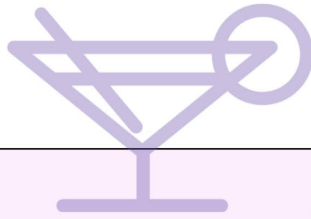
Community Scholar Important Info



- **Medical professionals, administrators, researchers, media professionals are not eligible to apply**
- Recipients **limited to total 3 scholarships**. Policy to limit # designed to expand opportunities
- Due to **CROI 2020 transition** from in-person to virtual, scholarships received for 2020 **not included** in limit
- All CROI Community Scholars **required to participate in full conference**, including Program Committee Workshop for New Investigators and Trainees. After conf, recipients must complete all evaluations. Recipients who cannot participate in full conf must decline award.
- Scholarship **not transferable**

Margarita Breakfast Club

- Intimate virtual Zoom setting for attendees to connect, engage, ask questions
- **CROI reg not required**
- Organized by CROI CLS in collaboration w/ staff from AVAC, EATG and other global orgs and individual partners



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AT #CROI2022

FEBRUARY 14-24 2022

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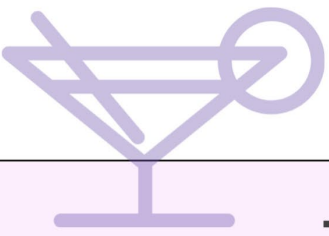
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Date: Monday, February 14

Speaker: Dr. Chloe Orkin

Moderators: Ntando Yola and Jim Pickett

182 registrants

- **River Deep, Mountain High: Pathways Toward a Cure for HIV**

Date: Wednesday, February 16

Speakers: Dr. Katharine Bar and Moses Supercharger

Moderators: Danielle Campbell and Michael Louella

221 registrants

- **Aging with HIV – Frailty, Comorbidities and a Call to Action**

Date: Tuesday, February 22

Speakers: Dr. Kristine Erlandson and Jules Levin

Moderator: Jeff Taylor

181 registrants

- **Rings and Injectable Things: Moving from Options to Choices for HIV Prevention in Cisgender Women**

Date: Wednesday, February 23

Speakers: Drs. Sinead Delany-Moretlwe and Kenneth Ngunjiri

Moderator: Danielle Campbell and Breanne Lesnar

203 registrants

- **Long COVID – What We Know, What We Need to Know, and What We Need to Do**

Date: Thursday February 24

Speakers: Dr. Steve Deeks and JD Davids

Moderator: Michael Louella

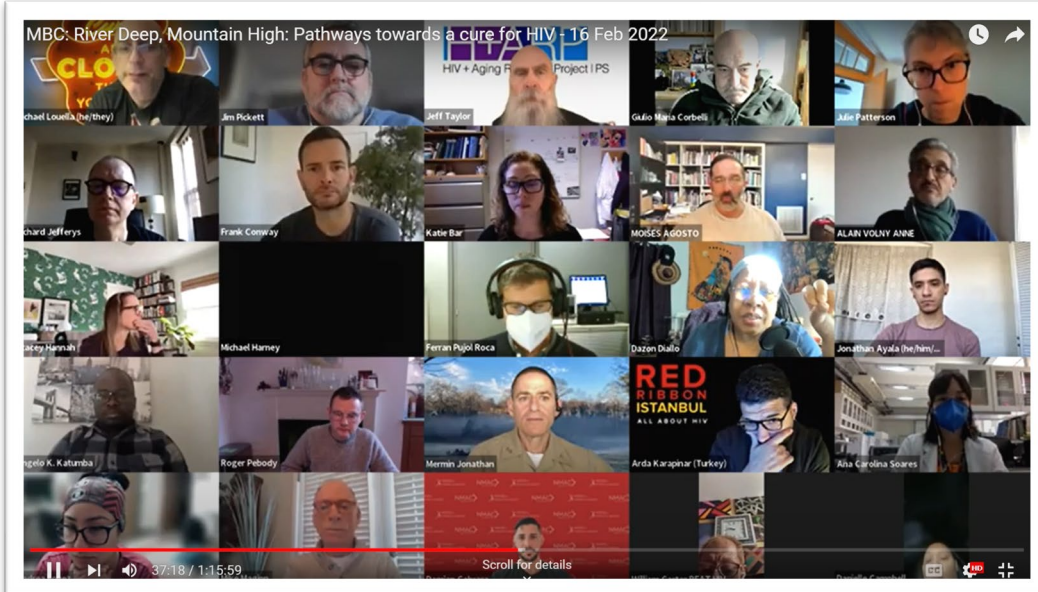
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2022 Margarita Breakfast Clubs



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- Belgium
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- France
- India
- Italy
- Kenya
- Malawi
- Mexico
- Nigeria
- South Africa
- Spain
- Tanzania
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453 unique registrants across all 5 programs.



100 +/- attended each session live



Recordings and slides shared with all registrants

CROI Community 2022 WhatsApp

CROI Community 2022
Angelo, Cleopatra, Deirdre, Ida, Jeanne, Jim, Joh...

11:11 AM

Jim Pickett
YESSSSS to compensation 11:11 AM

It's really messed up how our systems expect community folks to volunteer so much time. We need to banish that. 11:13 AM

+1 (206) 639-5817 ~Michael Louella
Yes. 11:13 AM

+266 5852 2872 ~Lepheana Mosooane

+1 (206) 639-5817 ~Michael Louella
I find myself singing Supercharger's song a lot these days 🎵

Very interesting song with message and he is very passionate about cure. That is also reflected in his songs. 11:13 AM

+254 723 790248 ~Sims

Ntando
"Having paid Advisory Boards" states Chloe. It's interesting.
It would bring professionalism in our participation in these boards...other than just voluntary passive participation 11:25 AM

+254 723 790248 ~Sims

+1 (206) 639-5817 ~Michael Louella
CABs are exploited for the benefit of HIV research and researchers.... It is simply wrong.
This is very true yet they do more including monitoring studies 11:27 AM

CROI Community 2022
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+1 (646) 431-7525 ~JD Davids

RECOVER Press Release and Backgrounder Feb 14.pdf
drive.google.com

Here is a Press Release from PEOPLE LIVING WITH LONG COVID that talks about how we have NOT been given meaningful involvement in the big NIH RECOVER Initiative. Please note that it is NOT criticizing anyone on today's panel, as none of them are the top leaders of the Initiative.

We appreciate the support of the global HIV Community as we call for the meaningful involvement that has been so important in HIV research to become the standard in Long COVID research!

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/14s3KR-cE8PuvlwprqZ9sKy0yJRBzInQO/view?usp=sharing> 2:07 PM

+1 (646) 431-7525 ~JD Davids

Katharine Kripke
Really important point, JD! Not registered, so didn't see the session, though.
Thank you - this is also why it is SO IMPORTANT to have people with Long COVID involved, as we have been talking about this issue constantly... it's like a basic obvious thing for us! 2:08 PM

Katharine Kripke

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Sorry to hear you are suffering from long COVID and totally agree 2:10 PM

CROI Community 2022
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Jim Pickett
We have such a great group here! So I know that me and Dr. Hillier are psyched up for the prevention sessions today. Who else wants to share what they are excited about?? 10:07 AM

+256 753 496913 ~Teopista

+256 772 551000 ~Supercharger
Hey our good people, don't miss the Margarita break fast show at CROI conference, its gonna happen tomorrow Wednesday yes Wednesday at 510 pm EAT. Somethin very special about HIV cur...
I am sorted and will attend. There is much hope in CURE! 10:17 AM

Same here. We have come a long way. The community embraces prevention there is no way we would have continued doing study after study! 10:20 AM

+267 72 796 746 ~Ken
The Aging With HIV meeting is another session that shouldn't just end with CROI conference presentations. We seriously need to move into action. We need tx guidelines to include some focus towards people like me aging with HIV. Interventions aimed at reducing the burden of comorbidities as we age is critical... 10:23 AM

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+1 (206) 639-5817 ~Michael Louella
Date: Wednesday February 16
Time: 7:15 - 8:15 Mountain/Denver time
(<https://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/converter.html>) ...
How did you guess. Timely resource converting mountain time 10:23 AM

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Thank you

